## Year 1 Maths Top Tips!

## - Look at number lines and 100 squares

O Use these to help your child with calculations and identifying patterns http://www.primarygames.co.uk/pg2/splat/splatsq100.html


## - Practise recalling facts

O Learning number facts is important.

- Number bonds to ten (e.g. $7+3=10,9+1=10$ etc.)
- Also explain that you can always swap the number order around when it comes to addition, so if $6+4=10$ so does $4+6$.

- Make it visual

Draw the Flower Petals!
Draw the petals for each flower according to the number indicated on the centre of the flower.


O This works first of all because many children enjoy drawing and secondly because it gives a physical representation. Urge your child to keep the drawings small and basic (otherwise you'll be there all day!).

## - Make it meaningful

O Maths is everywhere! Giving them real-life opportunities to practise their Maths skills makes them apply their knowledge to the real world.

- At the supermarket get them to put, for example, five oranges and four apples in your basket and ask them how many pieces of fruit you'll be buying.
- Similarly learning money basics when you're out and about can be a great to get their brain working!

